

Agricultural Department.

Thoughts for Farmers.

Two Roads for Farmers.

From Progressive Farmer.

It is a very blind man who per-
versely travels a rough, stumpy
road when he has the chance of
going over a smooth, easy one.
That is what some of the farmers
of this Piedmont section are do-
ing. They are well assured that
the plan of planting cotton brings
failure every time. Impoverish-
ed land, poor horses and mules,
empty cribs and smoke-houses,
and unattractive homes are the
results of such farming. But
there are many who are getting
on the smooth road. They are
sowing much more wheat in this
State than they did last year and
they will put in a larger oat crop.
By doing this they will decrease
the cotton acreage and thus help
to keep up price. Col T. J. Moore
of this county, a large land owner,
is making his plans for next year.
He has cut off 200 acres of land,
much of which is thin and devoid
of humus. He proposes to pre-
pare 50 acres for peas by plow-
ing and harrowing. Then the
balance will be equally divided
between small grain, corn and
cotton. He will sow peas after
the small grain and plant or sow
peas in the corn. Thus he will
have a hundred acres in peas.
He will divide his 50 acre lots by
good hog-proof wire fences. Thus
he will be able to raise hogs from
the gleanings of his small grain
and pea fields. By pursuing that
plan eight years he will bring his
land up to a bale of cotton to the
acre. The soil will be eight to
ten inches deep and his food
crops will be very abundant.

CORN AND COTTON TOGETHER.

Colonel Alfred Aldrich, of
Barnwell County, plants his corn
and cotton in the same field. He
makes his rows four feet wide
and plants two rows of cotton and
two of corn. He claims that he
makes about as much cotton to the
acre by that plan as his neigh-
bors make on similar land plant-
ing all cotton. His corn and
peas are an extra crop. This year
he planted a forty-acre lot in that
way. He has sold 40,000 pounds
of ear corn at seventy cents a
bushel, reserving enough to sup-
ply his farm. He has picked 20,
000 pounds of seed cotton, which
will make about 7,000 pounds of
lint. The corn sold brought \$4000
at eleven cents the cotton is worth
\$770, and both crops are worth
\$1,170. It seems to us that he
would have made more if he had
planted the two crops separately.
But he is fully convinced that the
plan is best for him and his land.

TURNING LAND.

It looks as if enough had been
written on this subject to give all
necessary information. But every
week such questions as these are
asked: Shall I turn my per stub-
ble before sowing small grain?
What shall I do with pea stubble,
or weeds on land intended for
corn or cotton next spring? Will
it pay to turn land in cotton this
year where I wish to plant cotton
or corn next spring? By turning
land the top soil is put on the
bottom and the bottom brought
to the top. There can be no ad-
vantage in that. There is posi-
tive injury if the clay is brought
to the top. Never turn land un-
less there is a heavy sod like

clover or broom sedge on it, and
then be sure to bring no clay to
the top. Do not turn pea stubble
when preparing for small grain.
Do not turn it on land to be plant-
ed in cotton next spring. Do not
turn clean land at any time.

What all clay land needs is
pulverizing. This can be well
done with the disc plow when
followed by a harrow. The clay
is then mixed with the soil and
will not harden and bake when
the winter rains come. Land in
cotton this year, and intended for
corn or cotton next, may be brok-
en and sub soiled. A good plan
is to plow up stalks with a two-
horse "middle buster" and follow
with a sub soil plow. Then do
the same to the middle. In the
spring the harrow will put the
land in fine condition for any
crop. A good plowman can take
a two-horse plow and break land
well without turning it. By mak-
ing a narrow cut two inches of the
clay may be broken and the top
soil edged up. The winter freeze-
will pulverize it. But if the clay
is put on top, it will harden and
the land will be in worse condi-
tion than if it had not been plow-
ed. CHARLES PETTY.

Spartanburg Co., S. C.

The Penalty of Exclusive Corn Feeding.

Over and over the changes need
to be rung on the danger of feed-
ing corn exclusively to young and
growing hogs. Corn is the great
finisher, but nitrogenous or pro-
tein foods at least in part are
necessary for young hogs. In a
recent number of the Live Stock
World, Dr. Alexander says upon
this subject:

"Corn is a fine fattening food,
but it is deficient in bone and
muscle-making ingredients and
if fed as a well-nigh, exclusive
ration to young, growing pigs, it
is not strange that they develop
fat, pudgy bodies, which become
too heavy for the weak muscles
and bones to uphold so that par-
alysis ensues. In some instances
the bones become so weak that
they actually fracture. Such
cases have been noted in both Il-
linois and Iowa. Susceptibility
to the trouble is inherited by
pigs from parents fed as we have
outlined and the disposition is
common in all hogs of the "lard"
breeds. The disease, which is
akin to rickets, may easily be
prevented by breeding from good
strong parents that have been al-
lowed free range and given a
mixed diet, feeding pregnant and
nursing sows on mixed rations,
while allowed free range on green
grass, clover and rape, and instead
of pampering young pigs upon
corn without adequate exercise,
allowing them plenty of exercise
upon grass, etc., and feeding a
ration rich in nitrogenous muscle
and bone-making ingredients.
Such a ration should contain
milk, middlings, flaxseed meal,
bran, dried blood meal or tank-
age, or a combination of some of
these foods rather than corn,
which should be kept for the fin-
ishing process when frame has
been fully developed. Lime water
should also be freely mixed in
the food and drink of all hogs
showing a tendency to weak
bones and muscles. Feed your
pigs in this way now, and unless
too far gone, they will be likely
to recover."

Attacked.

Says Mrs. Nancy Stoddard of Fountain
Inn, S. C. I was attacked by that terrible
monster you call Rheumatism. OUR NEW
DISCOVERY was recommended to me by
our druggist, and after taking two bottles,
that great monster of trouble and suffering
was forced to take its flight. I gladly re-
commend it to any suffering with Rheuma-
tism. Sold by Crawford Bros.

5000 Reported Killed.

Casualties at Moscow Said to
Reach That Number With
14,000 Wounded---Scar-
city of Provisions Threat-
ened.

London, Dec. 26.—The corres-
pondent of the Daily Press at St.
Petersburg, in a dispatch dated
6:45 p. m., December 15, says.

"At an early hour this morning
the casualties at Moscow were
estimated at 5,000 killed and 14,
000 wounded, with the fighting
still proceeding. The inhabitants
of Moscow have been forbidden
to leave their dwellings after 7
o'clock in the evening. It is im-
possible to move about the city in
consequence of the frequency of
stray bullets. Many innocent
persons have been accidentally
killed. The scarcity of provisions
is threatened.

Fifteen Cents Cotton.

Is good for the pocket; but it takes. OUR
NEW DISCOVERY for that bad taste in
the mouth every morning, and that old
weak back, and tired dull feeling when
you get up. The only \$1.00 liquid prepa-
ration sold with an absolute GUARAN-
TEE with each bottle for all Blood and
Skin Diseases, Nervousness, Liver and
Kidney Troubles. You run no risk what-
ever in buying OUR NEW DISCOVERY.
Your druggist will sign the guarantee.
Sold by Crawford Bros.



Brighter Prospects Increase your yield per acre.

We have many actual photographs of cotton fields on which no fertilizers were used and pictures of fields on which "other makes" of fertilizers were used. Results of these crops were dismal failures. There are much brighter prospects ahead for the progressive farmers of the South. Two and three bales to the acre are only ordinary yields where

Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers are used with proper cultivation. Make your cotton mature early, and thus escape the boll weevil and other damaging insects. You can easily do this, as well as increase the number of bolls and their size on your plants by plentifully using Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers. This method will tremendously "increase your yields per acre." Don't be fooled into buying a substitute.

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CLERK'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
County of Lancaster.
IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

W. J. Williams, et al, Plaintiffs,
vs
S. F. Williams, Defendant.

BY virtue of an order of court made
in the above stated cause, by Judge D.
E. Hydrick, dated Dec. 11th, 1905, I
will sell at public auction at Lancaster
court house on the

FIRST TUESDAY IN JANUARY
next, within the legal hours of sale,
the following described real estate, to
wit: All that certain piece, parcel or
tract of land lying, being and situate
in the county of Lancaster, State of
South Carolina, bounded as follows:
North by lands of J. Frank Gard-
ner, Jr., East by land of J. L. Sow-
ell, formerly lands of D. L. Blackwell,
and lands of John Knight, formerly
lands of D. F. Gardner; South and
West by Buffalo Creek, containing
two hundred and eighty-four [284]
acres, more or less.

Terms of sale: One-third cash, and
the balance in one and two years, se-
cured by bond of purchaser and mort-
gage of the premises; with leave of
purchaser to pay all cash, if he so de-
sires. In the event purchaser fails
to comply with terms of sale, on de-
mand being made upon him, said
lands will be immediately resold on
same day.

Purchaser to pay for papers.
Lancaster, S. C. Dec. 12 1905.
J. F. GREGORY,
C. C. C. P. L. C.
E. D. Blakeney, Plaintiffs' Atty.

A Slaughter Sale

In view of the fact that we are going to make some changes in our business on January 1st, we are going to make some special prices to cash buyers. Note the following and compare with what you've been paying:

2000 yards 10c Outing at 7 1-2c; 1000 yards 7 1-2c Outing at 5c; 2000 yards 6c Gingham at 5c; best Flannel-ette, all colors, 8 1-2c; nice line of 75c waist Silks, this sale 50c the yard; yd. wide Taffeta 75c yard, best grade, wear guaranteed, 98c; 52 inch Broadcloth, worth \$1.00 per yard, for only 75c. We have been selling

Clothing and Overcoats

to beat the band, but we are determined to break all previous records. \$15.00 suits, this sale 11.00; 12.50 suits, this sale 9.00; 10.00 suits, this sale 7.50; 7.50 suits, this sale 5.00; 5.00 suits, this sale 3.75. Same slaughter price in Overcoats. Everybody knows there is an advance in the leather market of at least 25 per cent., but we continue to sell

Shoes at Old Price

Should you need Underwear for the cold December weather, see ours. Wright's Health Underwear 85c; best 50c knit Underwear 37c; good 35c knit Underwear 22c. If your dollars are worth saving, see us before making your purchases. Yours to serve,

Funderburk Comp'y.

5 cents will buy either 4 cakes good Laundry Soap, 10 cents bottle Machine Oil, 8 balls Sewing Cotton, and a hundred other things we can't mention here.

F. Co.

HORSES! Horses, Mules, Mules!

Our Mr. Hood has just closed another deal for six car loads of Mules and Horses—180 head. Two of these cars come here, one of horses and one of mules. Think of it, 60 head to arrive in a few days, and Mr. Hood wires they are the best we have bought this season. Some closely matched teams of extra fine mare mules that weigh from 1100 to 1250 each. This is a grand opportunity to buy brood mares. Have some with extra finish and family broke.

Buggies, Buggies.

Two solid cars to arrive this week, all kinds and styles.

Wagons, Wagons.

Have just closed a deal for 100 more, and we have stacks of them on hand of all sizes—one, two, three and four horse with regular or broad tire. Come one, come all. Those who do not feel able or willing to buy a new vehicle can buy a second hand, as we have at least 100 second hand buggies, carriages and wagons on hand that we are going to sell regardless of the price. Don't fail to

Come and See Us

for we are far ahead of any retail stock and vehicle dealers east of the Mississippi river. Remember our harness department. We manufacture all of our har-
ness and have no competition.

Remember, we buy as well as sell.

Gregory-Hood Live Stock Co.